The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am in support of the proposed merger between Echostar and Hughes (Dishnetwork and DirecTV). I feel it would be in our best interests to have a larger company to compete against cable interests. With a larger subscriber base, the company could negotiate better prices for programming. This would give us (the consumer) more access or better prices in the long run. Please support the merger, thanks!

Sincerely,

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